

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 7, 2008

SWAC Members

Mark Glazer, Chair	Odell Hall	Marcia Marks
Leslie Alexander	Marcia Harrington	Craig Simoneau
Steve Findley	Paula Jenson	Steve Sprague
Mimi Guernica	Lee Levine	Ed Violette

Absent: J. Abralind, E. Lee, S. McCarty

County Staff

Guests

Eileen Kao, DSWS	Rob Jenson
Peter Karasik, DSWS	
Angela Jordan, DSWS	

The regular meeting of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) was called to order by the Chair at 7:30 a.m. on October 7, 2008, at the Executive Office Building Lobby Level Auditorium.

The Chair welcomed everyone at the meeting, and introductions were made.

OLD BUSINESS

Meeting Minutes – The minutes of the June 3, 2008 meeting was approved as submitted.

Subcommittee/ Reports - DAFIG met on Tuesday, September 9, 2008 to discuss green initiatives, and storage of oils and alternative fuels. Mr. Violette, the SWAC representative of DAFIG stated that the meeting was a good one.

MAJOR PROGRAM TOPIC

A Construction and Demolition (C & D) presentation was made by Mr. Peter Karasik of DSWS. He discussed initiatives to continue and improve the disposal and recycling of C & D waste.

- The DOT Shed is used for the disposal of mixed dirt, mud, brush, railroad ties, and similar materials. Broken concrete and asphalt are also disposed off at the shed, but if it is clean (i.e. free of any other type of debris), it can be recycled. It would then be taken to The Recycling Center of Laurel, MD. Any C & D that cannot be recycled is taken to the Brunswick Waste Management Facility, Inc. In

September 2008, Brunswick Waste Management received over 5,000 tons of C & D waste. Mr. Simoneau inquired about the County's top source of C & D waste. Mr. Karasik stated that most C & D comes from Highway Services. He said that one constant problem in recovering clean C & D lies with tendency of road crews to bring material directly to the Transfer Station. The crews rarely take the waste to C & D recovery facilities, like TRC.

- Ms. Kao stated that C & D Recovery, a C & D recycling facility in Clarksburg, has approached businesses about responsible C & D recycling. The investigators in Waste Reduction & Recycling Section enforce the mandatory separation of recyclables from all trash, and they strive to make everyone, especially businesses, refrain from improperly disposing of recyclables. Thirty NOVs have been issued to building contractors for failing to adhere to recycling regulations. Mr. Karasik stated that C & D recycling just needs more attention. Infrastructure in the private sector already exists, so there is potential for more recycling.
- A partnership between the Division of Solid Waste Services and Permitting Services was mentioned to facilitate the enforcement of recycling regulations for businesses acquiring permits. Permitting Services would be able to provide literature to the new business owners, so they are in compliance with County recycling laws. Ms. Guernica stated that businesses should be approached with a "carrot", rather than with a "stick", so they would aspire to comply with DSWS.
- The members raised the question whether continuing to pay Brunswick Waste Management is more cost effective than having C & D Recovery as an on-going contractor. C & D Recovery has been approached by DSWS in the past. They commanded a rate of \$63/ton, and they have not been able to reduce their price to a level where it would be economical for the County to make use of their facility..

## NEW BUSINESS

- The Chair initiated a discussion of potential topics for the 2009 SWAC meeting schedule. The suggested topics included:
  - Food Composting for Businesses
  - Yard Waste
  - Vision and Role of SWAC
  - Single Stream Recycling
  - Multi-family Recycling
  - Pharmaceutical Disposal

- The Chair reminded SWAC members with expiring terms that the deadline to reapply is October 24, 2008. He also mentioned that Ms. Abralind, a SWAC member, would need to let everyone know her intentions to remain as a member, and satisfy all requirements, or to resign.
- Elections will be held at the next SWAC meeting on Saturday, November 15, 2008. The nomination for Chair was Mark Glazer. The nomination for Vice Chair was David Frank.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments.

#### ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

#### **ACRONYMS**

DSWS	Division of Solid Waste Services
SWAC	Solid Waste Advisory Committee
DAFIG	Dickerson Area Facilities Implementation Group
C & D	Construction and Demolition
NOV	Notice of Violation

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE														
2007 ATTENDANCE														
	J A N	F E B	M A R	A P R	M A Y	J U N	J U L	A U G	S E P	O C T	N O V	D E C	Absences In Last 12 Months	
Alexander, Leslie									X	X	X			
Faul-Zeitler, Bobbie		X	X		X	X			X	X	X		-1	
Frank, David			X		X	X			X	X	X		-1	
Glazer, Mark		X	X			X			X	X	X		-1	
Guernica, Mimi									X	X			-1	
Hall, Odell		X			X	X			X	X			-2	
Harrington, Marcia									X	X	X			
Levine, Lee		X	X			X			X		X		-2	
Marks, Marcia									X	X	X			
Simoneau, Craig		X	X		X	X			X	X	X			

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2008 ATTENDANCE														
	J A N	F E B	M A R	A P R	M A Y	J U N	J U L	A U G	S E P	O C T	N O V	D E C	Absences In Last 12 Months	
Abralind, Jessica		X	X	X	X	X							-1	
Alexander, Leslie		X	X		X	X				X			-2	
Findley, Steve			X	X	X	X				X				
Frank, David	X	X	X	X		X				X			-1	
Glazer, Mark	X	X	X	X	X	X				X				
Guernica, Mimi	X	X	X	X	X	X				X				
Hall, Odell	X		X		X	X				X			-2	
Harrington, Marcia	X	X	X	X	X	X				X				
Jenson, Paula		X	X	X	X	X				X				
Lee, Ed		X	X	X	X	X							-1	
Levine, Lee	X	X	X			X				X			-2	
Marks, Marcia	X	X			X	X				X			-2	
McCarty, Sean	X	X		X	X								-3	
Simoneau, Craig	X	X	X	X	X					X			-1	
Sprague, Steve		X	X	X	X	X				X				
Violette, Ed				X	X	X				X				